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Strawberry Plants

ALLEN BROS.

PAW PAW, " MICHIGAN

INFORMATION FOR PURCHASERS

Our Strawberry Plants are all dug from new beds and rows are taken up solid, all those poorly rooted are thrown out, the dead leaves and stems are picked off, roots straightened, and tied in bunches of 25. Thus the purchaser receives the strongest and best plants made during the season of growth. Those are worth much more than plants dug from the alleys.

Terms. Payment should accompany the order, at least one-fourth when we will book your order, and balance can be sent before shipment. Money may be sent by bank draft, express money order, postoffice money order or registered letter at our risk.

References. Paw Paw Savings Bank, American Express agents or any business firm in Paw Paw or Bloomingdale.

Location. We are located at Glendale and ship plants both from Paw Paw and Bloomingdale, as it is most convenient to us.

Shipment. We are in $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours ride from Chicago and connect with the M. C. R. R., P. M. R. R. and Fruit Belt Line. We commence to ship plants in the spring as soon as we can dig, usually in March for Southern orders.

This year we have not printed any testimonials, but have hundreds of them from all over the United States and Canada, and if you wish on request we will send you some.

We Exercise Care that all our plants shall be true to name, and hold ourselves ready upon proper proof, to refund money, or replace any that prove untrue. It is mutually agreed that we shall not be liable for a greater sum than the amount paid out for stock.

Substitution. In ordering plants state whether we shall substitute some other variety in case the kind ordered shall be exhausted. If no objections, we will substitute something of equal value, but always label true to name. We always aim to substitute sorts similar in quality and season, and always something listed at equal or higher rate.

INTRODUCTORY

We feel as though we need no introduction, as we have been before the public nearly a quarter of a century. As to our standing, we would refer you to any business place in the county or Dunn and Bradstreet.

We have not printed an elaborate catalogue this year as formerly, owing to the increased expense of everything. Had we done so we would have had to raise the price of our plants, hence we have only issued this circular and left our prices practically the same as last year.

Certificate Of Nursery Inspection No. 1462.

This is to certify that I have examined the nursery stock of Allen Brothers of Paw Paw and find it apparently free from dangerous insects and dangerous contagious tree and plant diseases.

This certificate to be void after July 31st, 1917.

L. R. Taft,

State Inspector of Nurseries and Orchards.

Agricultural College, Mich., Sept. 30th, 1916

STRAWBERRY PLANTS—Fall Bearing
Superb—Fruit large, dark red, glossy, firm and of good quality. The plants are healthy growers and make runners freely.

Progressive—A good many growers rate Progressive as the best of the fall bearers. The berries are of fair size, rich, deep crimson in color, nearly round and very glossy. The plants are strong growers having an abundance of large leaves.

Americus—Is strongly staminate and berries are always perfect when frost does not interfere. Plants very strong, healthy and deep rooted. No variety could be more productive, yet with its heavy load, fruit is medium to large in size, and what is still more remarkable is the fact that unless disbudded, it will bear constantly from time plants are well rooted, usually from May to November.

It is a free plant maker and the young runners begin to bear as soon as they begin to root. Fruit is firm, a bright red, holds up well in wet weather, good quality, fruit is protected from frost by heavy foliage. Has been tested thoroughly and seems to succeed over a wide range of country.

Francis—Strongly staminate, season May till frost, just as productive as Americus, but not quite as much of a plant maker. Fruit medium to large, firm, bright red, glossy spring set plants of these as well as the other Fall bearing will bear fruit from time they are set till fall, unless buds are picked off. We think more of this than any of the Fall bearing varieties.

You can just as well have strawberries in the fall as summer, and if you want to grow for market, it is no trouble to get 25 cents per quart for them. No order is complete without at least 25 or more Fall Bearing Plants.

Variety	25	50	100	200	500	1000
Progressive	.75	1.25	2.00	3.25	7.00	12.00
Superb ----	.75	1.25	2.00	3.25	7.00	12.00
Americus --	.75	1.25	2.00	3.25	7.00	12.00
Francis ----	.75	1.25	2.00	3.50	8.00	15.00

EARLY VARIETIES

Johnson's Early—A standard early variety. A good grower and cropper. Fruit of good size. In some seasons it is extra large, of good form and color. 100, 60c; 1000, \$3.00

August Luther—Very early good to large sized fruit, bright red color, firm and good quality, very popular early market sort. Continues to bear until practically every berry reaches a good size. 100, 60c; 1000, \$3.00.

Bederwood—Early, strong yielder continues a long time in bearing, fruit good size and firm as the Crescent, very strong staminate and a good fertilizer. 100, 60c; 1000, \$3.00.

Excelsior—Season extra early. This variety is now generally regarded as one of the best extra early berries. Berry dark red, of good size, a good shipper and will be

popular in the South for sending to northern markets. 100, 50c; 1000, \$2.75.

Michel's Early—One of the earliest varieties grown, does better on light, warm soil, on heavy soil it goes too much to vines, it blossoms early and late. For best results plant on warm, sandy soil, and do not allow them to set too heavy in the row. 100, 25c 1000, \$1.00.

St. Louis—Very early; a strong grower with plenty of runners. Fruit is of good size for an early berry, round, red, firm and good. The variety is new and an improvement on Early Michel, the fruit being of better size. It is finding many favorites. 100, 65c; 1000, \$3.50.

MID—SEASON VARIETIES

Crescent—A very prolific berry bearing profusely, even under neglect. Fruit colors on all sides at once. Great cropper, early. 100, 60c; 1000, \$3.00.

Haverland — Exceedingly productive. Fruit large and firm. One of the most popular of the well tested varieties. It will stand more frost than most any other variety, often bearing a large crop when others are killed. We can always depend on a large crop of Haverland, and the berry is large and very attractive. No berry will outsell them, and no variety seems to do as well on any soil or in any location. Demand for Haverland plants is always large, which proves its popularity. You will not miss it by buying some Haverland. They are a good sure berry. Bought largely for main crop all over the country. We cannot say too much in their favor. Try them and you will agree with us. 100, 60c; 1000, \$3.50.

Lovett—Well known standard midseason variety, a thrifty, healthy grower and productive of good sized, bright red berries, firm and of good quality. The Lovett is a good dependable berry in all soils and seasons. A good producer of large evenly shaped berries. An extra strong grower and brings paying crops everywhere. A fine commercial berry. The fruit is firm and conical shaped. 100, 60c; 1000, \$3.50

2. **Kellogg's Prize**—This is a pistillate variety and is said to ripen from early to late; the originator has the following to say "The variety continued bearing a little later than Sample or Stevens' Late Champion, and it was the last to be found on the vines" It was the remark of one of our customers that "they did not know that Strawberries ever grew so large; if the public knew of the value of this variety the demand for plants could not be supplied." The introducer says: "Kellogg's Prize is very highly colored, with golden seed, the rich color extending to the center; flavor is delicious and nothing excels it as a shipping berry; the cap is ample and in harmony with the size of the berry, and the foliage is very large, as befits the yielder of great crops of big red berries." 100, 75c; 1000, \$4.00.

Pocomoke—A seedling of the old Wilson, which it resembles in color, shape, firmness and productiveness, but of better quality and much larger in size. 100, 60c; 1000, \$3.75.

Splendid—Plant healthy, luxuriant grower, sends out many runners and bears abundantly, fruit large, and far above the average in quality and appearance, desirable for either market or home use. This variety has been tested by many berry experts all over the country, and has proven itself worthy of the name. 100, 60c; 1000, \$3.50.

Warfield—Not immensely large, but its great beauty, firmness, good flavor, productiveness and vigor, combined with fair size, makes it exceedingly popular, ripens with Crescent. Without doubt there is more of this variety grown each year than any other. Its popularity seems to be universal. It is a good plant maker. 100, 60c; 1000, \$3.00.

Brandywine—A variety which seems to find favor wherever tried. Very fine, an extra good shipper, berries large and slightly conical in form and hold their size to the last, ripen evenly, being of a bright crimson color and of good quality, plant is a

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vigorous grower, season medium to late.

100, 60c; 1000, \$1.50.

Bubach—Fruit large and handsome, roundish conical, bright scarlet, moderately firm, of fair quality. Plant a strong grower with large healthy foliage and very productive. Succeeds best on heavy soil. Desirable for home use or near market. Season early to medium. This is an old standby and is deservedly popular. In plant growth it is vigorous, but does not throw out the excess of runners. 100, 60c; 1000, \$3.75.

Gibson—Mid-season to late, fruit large and handsome, dark, glossy red color, red flesh, firm and of high quality. 100, 60c; 1000, \$3.50.

Glen Mary—Hardy, vigorous and very productive, berry large and very firm, had best be pollenized. 100, 60c; 1000, \$3.75.

Kansas—A good grower and bearer of good medium sized bright red berries. Not a universal favorite; mid-season to late. 100, 40c; 1000, \$1.75.

Missouri—Rather dark red, mid season berry, very healthy, good plant maker, a splendid pollenizer. Not as desirable as some others. 100, 40c; 1000, \$1.50.

Nick Ohmre—A large, handsome, showy berry of extra high quality, demands good soil and high cultivation, late to medium. 100, 60c; 1000, \$3.50.

Pride of Michigan—Kellogg's. Plants are extra heavy and long rooted, which makes them capable of withstanding a long and severe drouth, a point worthy of your consideration. Makes just about the right amount of plants for a good fruiting row. Fruit large to very large. Scarlet in color, bright red cheeks, making it one of the handsomest berries on the market. Very firm and productive for such a large berry. Quality good. Time of ripening medium late. Does best on a rich moist loamy soil. If an extra large fancy berry is wanted, either for home use or market, try this one. 100, 75c; 1000, \$3.75.

Senator Dunlap—It is a very strong grower and a healthy plant, has a perfect

blossom, is hardy, productive, of extra good quality, splendid keeper and is able to hold its own under neglected culture. No sign of rust. The plant is wonderfully productive and brings every berry to maturity. It resembles the Warfield in size, ripens at the same time and remains in bearing longer. It is most beautiful in color, has a slight neck and is easily picked. We have fruited this variety for several years and it has given the best of satisfaction. Were we to set but one variety, it would be Senator Dunlap. 100, 60c; 1000, \$3.00.

Uncle Jim—One of the finest and best of all the large berries, plants large and healthy, berries firm; productive, begins to ripen a long time before Gandy, but lasts about as long. 100, 75c; 1000, \$4.00.

Wm. Belt—Among the large sized berries none are more uniform in shape and size than this variety, except the first berries to ripen, which are usually cockscombed. It is also very firm and most excellent quality; color a beautiful glossy crimson. The fruit always brings the highest price in the market. The plant is a good, thrifty grower with strong roots and makes just enough plants for a good matted row without crowding. Its quality is fine and extra large size. Be sure and include this in your list. 100, 60c; 1000, \$3.50.

LATE VARIETIES

Aroma—Fruit very large, roundish conical, glossy red, of an excellent quality and very productive, plant is strong, healthy grower, fast growing in favor as a late berry, extensively grown in the West, where it originated. We can recommend it. 100, 60c; 1000, \$3.50.

Gandy—This is one of the most reliable, large late berries that is grown. It is one of the old standard varieties that you can depend upon. The plant is a strong grower. The large, handsome appearance of the fruit always commands for it a large price in market. The fruit always grows large and is one of the best shipping varieties

known. You can't afford to be without the Gandy whether it be for home or market use. 100, 60c; 1000. \$3.75.

Jesse—One of the old standard varieties, berry, large, bright colored and of a good quality, firm and a good cropper, blossom perfect and a good fertilizer for imperfect varieties. 100, 60c; 1000, \$3.75.

Marshall—(Mich. Exp. Station.) The Marshall has established itself with the better growers as one of the best fancy berries, size, beauty and quality being its strong characteristics. It is not as productive as some other sorts, and it requires good soil and care, but when given proper culture there are few better kinds. 100, 75c; 1000, \$4.50.

Stevens' Late Champion—In plant growth this variety resembles the Gandy, except that it has a heavier and shorter fruit stem and is a much better plant maker. Healthy, vigorous and long rooted, nearly an ideal plant, productive. Fruit large, dark red in color. Uniform in shape and size. Very high in quality, and exceedingly firm. This variety with us has proven to be fully as late in ripening as Gandy, and will prove a money maker for those who want a late berry. There is nothing better. 100, 60c; 1000, \$3.50.

Sample—Fine berry of very large size, long in bearing, quite late to ripen, crimson color clear through to the core, very firm for large berry, strong, vigorous and healthy foliage, originator says: "It will yield as much fruit as the Haverland and average large." Set Aroma with Sample and you will have an ideal combination. 100, 60c; 1000, \$3.50.

? **Chespeake**—In size, productiveness and quality, it is one of the best very late varieties. Not a heavy plant maker, but makes sets enough for a good crop. Dark red, good shape. It has all the qualities of Gandys and some that are better. 100, 65c; 1000, \$4.00.

MIXED PLANTS FOR A GOOD CROP.

We have many "odds and ends" left over when packing, and always some when digging, that are good plants. They are of many varieties both (P) and (S), and are just the right mixture for a garden plot. We have found that many growers prefer a plot of mixed varieties, claiming that they have done better in many cases than straight kinds. Many times such plants will contain many of the newest and best varieties. Plants mixed in this way are always heavy croppers. Our price is very reasonable. 100, 60c; 1000, \$2.50.

OUR SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Those desiring a few for home use will find the following collections very good, covering the season from early to late. Postage paid by us on these collections.

\$1.50 Collection—50 Michel's Early, 100 Senator Dunlap, 75 Gandy.

\$2.25 Collection—50 Michel's Early, 100 Senator Dunlap, 50 Wm. Belt, 100 Stevens' Late Champion.

\$2.75 Collection—150 August Luther, 100 Senator Dunlap, 100 Pocomoke, 100 Brandywine.

\$3.50 Collection—100 August Luther, 300 Senator Dunlap, 100 Stevens' Late Champion.

Better add 25 Americus for 75 cents and have berries in the fall as well as summer. **THESE VARIETIES ARE WELL TESTED**

For those who have not tested strawberries in their soils we will say that the following varieties have proven good over a large territory, and we think you will be pleased with any or all of them if you have not tested varieties in your soil that have proven good.

Early—August Luther or St. Louis.

Medium—Uncle Jim, Senator Dunlap, Glen Mary, Brandywine, "Kellogg's Prize."

Late—Wm. Belt, Aroma, Sample, Stevens' Late Champion, Gandy.

We are breeders of Registered Hereford cattle and Poland China hogs. We have about 100 head of Herefords and 80 hogs. Inspection invited.

PRICE LIST OF STRAWBERRY PLANTS

Those marked "P" are pistillate and must be planted near perfect blooming varieties. 50 of a variety at 100 rates. 500 (not of several varieties) at 100 rates. No orders for less than \$1.00 accepted.

	Price 100	Price 1000
Aroma (S) -----	\$.60	\$3.50
August Luther (S) -----	.60	3.00
Bederwood (S) -----	.60	3.00
Brandywine (S) -----	.60	3.50
Bubach (P) -----	.60	3.75
Ben Davis (S) -----	.60	3.75
Crescent (P) -----	.60	3.00
Chesapeake (S) -----	.65	4.00
Excelsior (S) -----	.50	2.75
Gandy (S) -----	.60	3.75
Glen Mary (S) -----	.60	3.75
Gibson (S) -----	.60	3.50
Haverland (P) -----	.60	3.50
Johnson's Early (S) -----	.60	3.00
Jesse (S) -----	.60	3.75
Kansas (P) -----	.40	1.75
Kellogg's Prize (P) -----	.75	4.00
Lovett (S) -----	.60	3.50
Marshall (S) -----	.75	4.50
Missouri (S) -----	.40	1.50
Michel's Early (S) -----	.25	1.00
Mixed Plants -----	.60	2.50
Nick Ohmre (S) -----	.60	3.50
Pocomoke (S) -----	.60	3.75
Sample (P) -----	.60	3.50
Splendid (S) -----	.60	3.50
Senator Dunlap (S) -----	.60	3.00
St. Louis (S) -----	.65	3.50
Stevens' Late Champion (S) -----	.60	3.50
Pride of Michigan (S) (Kellogg's)		
	.75	3.75
Uncle Jim (S) -----	.75	4.00
Warfield (P) -----	.60	3.00
William Belt (S) -----	.60	3.50

Strawberry plants are our specialty. Our plants are free from dangerous insects and contagious plant diseases, as per the state inspector's certificate. If you buy plants from us you will get first class plants that are free from infection. Undoubtedly you

can buy cheaper plants elsewhere, but you will get in addition to the plants diseases common to strawberry plants. We know our plants will please you, and we would be pleased to receive your patronage.

PARCEL POST

We will send your plants by Parcels Post or express as you desire. In either case you can pay postage or express at your end.

REFERENCES

Paw Paw Savings Bank,
Paw Paw, Michigan

To Whom It May Concern:

We take pleasure in giving our unqualified endorsement of the business integrity and standing of the firm of Allen Brothers.

These gentlemen do an extensive business as merchants, stock raisers and propagators of strawberry plants.

During their many years of business relations with this bank we have always found them entirely reliable and we bespeak for them our utmost confidence, commending them to the favorable consideration of all who may contemplate dealing with them.

Yours very truly,

C. A. WOLFS,
Cashier

People's State Bank,
Bloomington, Michigan

We take pleasure in recommending to the business public Allen Brothers of Glendale, Michigan, who are extensive growers and shippers of strawberry plants, thoroughly reliable and upright in all business matters, by careful attention to the details of their business, it has grown to large proportions, and we are sure that all orders will be filled to the satisfaction of every patron.

Yours Respectfully,

ELLIS SIMMONS

Cashier